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query to the "sources" (often including privacy-problematic identifiable specifics to be analyzed); the "sources" then forming files
of privacy-sensitive data-items according to the parameter list and privacy filtering out details particular to less than a predetermined
quantity of micro-data-specific data-items; and the "aggregator" merging the privacy-filtered files into a data-warehouse to formulate
a privacy-safe response to the user - even though the user may have included privacy-problematic identifiable specifics.